SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE



SHRINE - RETREAT CENTER - WELCOME CENTER 947 Park St. Attleboro, MA - 508-222-5410 - www.lasaletteattleboroshrine.org

Shrine Director - Fr. Flavio Gillio, MS Retreat Center Director - Fr. Ted Brown, MS Superior - Fr. Brian Schloth, MS

Mass Times

Monday - Saturday

12:10pm

Saturday (Sunday Vigil)

4:30pm

Sunday

9:30am (French), 12:10pm

Confessions

Monday-Friday 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Saturday-Sunday 1:00pm-4:00pm English: May 25 at 2:00pm Spanish: June 1 at 2:30pm Portuguese: June 14 at 2:00pm

Healing Services



Celebrate **Pentecost** with a multicultural Eucharist at the *National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette*! Let's gather as one family of faith to honor the Holy Spirit on **Sunday, June 8, at 12:10 p.m.**

LA SALETTE SHRINE 508-222-5410 www.lasaletteattleboroshrine.org lasaletteshrinedirector@gmail.com

LA SALETTE RETREAT CENTER 508-222-8530 www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org

office@lasaletteretreatcenter.com

508-236-9090 www.lasalettereligiousas.org giftshoplasalette@gmail.com



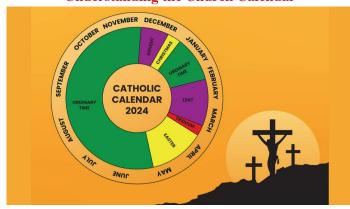
You Made It Happen: Our New Cafeteria Is Open! A renewed space. A grateful community.

With full hearts, we say THANK YOU for making the renovation of our Shrine cafeteria a reality! Because of your incredible generosity to the 2024 Annual Appeal, this space is now fully transformed—a beautiful, welcoming place for meals, connection, and community. Every gathering, every shared moment, carries the imprint of your faith and love. A special thank-you to our renovation team—Adam, Dennis, Joe, Ken, Bill, Dan, and Fr. Bernie—for turning your support into something truly life-giving.

You didn't just fund a project. You gave us a place to welcome, nourish, and serve.

From all of us at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette: Thank you for this extraordinary gift.

LITURGICAL CORNER Understanding the Church Calendar



The Liturgical Calendar of the Church is a complex system of commemorating and celebrating key events in the life of Christ, Mary and the saints, as well as significant moments in the history of the Church.

Solemnities (24) holds the highest rank among Church celebrations. While all holy days of obligation are solemnities, not all solemnities are holy days of obligation. As an example, we can mention the solemnity of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Saint Joseph and Saints Peter and Paul. The Gloria, three Readings and the Creed are said on these days. Solemnities begin their celebration on the evening before.

Feast days typically honor a special saint or important events in Christian history. The Gloria is required to be said on these days, but not the Creed.

Memorials are of third importance in the liturgical calendar. Memorials are identified as either Obligatory Memorial or Optional Memorial. Obligatory Memorials must be celebrated on an assigned day, while Optional Memorials gives the celebrant the option to celebrate that particular saint. The Church only observes Obligatory Memorials for saints who are of "universal significance". Optional Memorials honor saints who are locally known rather than universally celebrated.

Ferias are weekdays, usually in Ordinary Time, without assigned celebrations. Derived from the Latin word meaning "free," they exclude solemnities, feasts, or memorials and typically occur Monday through Friday.

Sunday, according to the Second Vatican Council, is considered as a unique liturgical category; "the Lord's day is the original feast day and is the foundation of the whole liturgical year." According to the Code of Canon Law, Sunday "must be observed in the universal Church as the primordial holy day of obligation." As a result, only a limited number of feasts of the Lord or saints may take the place of the scheduled Sunday celebration. Sundays always begin their celebration on the evening before.



SHRINE CHURCH SANCTUARY LAMP

During the month of **MAY 2025**, the Shrine Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of:

MICHAEL FEILER

Anyone wishing to have a loved one or special intention remembered should call the Shrine Secretary at 508-222-5410 and place their request. The monthly offering is \$75.



La Salette Family Festival May 28 - June 1, 2025



Faith. Fun. Family. All in one place.

Come enjoy five unforgettable days of laughter, food, and festive fun at the **La Salette Family Festival**—a tradition that brings our community together with joy at the heart of the Shrine.

From thrilling rides and classic games to mouthwatering favorites like linguiça, chili, clam chowder, and strawberry shortcake, there is something here for every member of the family. Whether you are visiting for an hour or staying all day, you will find warm hospitality, happy memories, and good old-fashioned fun.

> Festival Hours: Wednesday–Friday: 5:00–9:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday: 12:00–9:00 p.m.

Final Session Sacred Heart Fridays June 6, 2025 - 9:30 a.m.



Hearts ablaze: ending the journey in the heart of Christ. As we close this year's journey into the depths of Christ's love, we invite you to the final session of **Sacred Heart Fridays**, a special moment of reflection, celebration, and gratitude.

This concluding gathering brings our series to a prayerful close by exploring the final insights from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, illuminating how the Church invites us to make Jesus' Heart our home. To register visit:

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/sacredheart

In Their Name We Pray and Remember: **Living Memorials at the Heart of the Shrine**



In the last two issues of our bulletin, we had the pleasure of introducing you to the new *La Salette Development Office*, **Seeds of Hope**, and highlighting memorial and votive candles as a meaningful way to support the Shrine and its ministries. In this issue, we invite you to consider another beautiful form of giving through our **Memorial Program**, which includes **Memorial Benches**, **Tree of Life Leaves**, and **Days of Remembrance**.

As you know, some memories leave an enduring mark on our heart—a parent's wisdom, a child's laughter, the steadfast love of a dear friend. At the *National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette*, we believe such memories are sacred and worthy of being honored through faith and love. Our Memorial Program offers a lasting tribute to those who have touched your life while supporting the Shrine's mission of healing, reconciliation, and spiritual renewal. Whether you choose a **bench**, a **leaf**, or a **Day of Remembrance**, your gift becomes part of a sacred space touched by thousands each year.

Memorial Benches: they provide a place of rest and reflection in peaceful areas such as the Rosary Pond and Outdoor Chapel. Each bench includes a personalized plaque, inviting others to pause, pray, and remember.

Trees of Life Leaves: they are displayed beside the Outdoor Chapel. Each leaf is engraved with names and messages that symbolize enduring love, faith, and remembrance.

A **Day of Remembrance** offers a sacred way to honor a loved one or a special intention on a personally meaningful date. Your intention is prayerfully announced at the La Salette community's private liturgy in the Monastery Chapel and again during Mass at the Shrine Church. All ministries offered that day—prayers, Masses, and outreach—are united with your intention in a shared spirit of faith, hope, and healing.

To learn more or begin a memorial dedication, please write to **lasaletteshrinesecretary@gmail.com,** call 508-222-5410 or visit:

lasaletteattleboroshrine.org/memorials

Come and See: A Weekend of Discernment and Discovery June 19-22, 2025 8-Day Ignatian Retreat July 14-21, 2025



Is your heart longing for more?

If you are a young adult man wondering what God might be inviting you to, consider joining us for a *Come and See* weekend with the *Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette*. It is a quiet, prayerful space to listen, reflect, and explore what it means to live your faith with purpose and joy. The weekend offers a rhythm of communal prayer, silence, spiritual conversation, and fellowship.

You don't need all the answers. Just the courage to ask the question. If interested, please, visit:

www.lasalettevocations.org/

A Saint Among Us: Veneration of Padre Pio's Relics June 18-19, 2025



Come experience the powerful presence of Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina through the veneration of his sacred relics. Whether you seek healing, peace, or simply time to be still with God, this is a rare opportunity to draw close to one of the Church most beloved modern saints.

The relics will be available for prayer and quiet reflection in the Shrine Church, **11:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** on both days.



Where the voice of God meets the movements of your soul Join us for a transformative retreat that blends Ignatian spirituality with the Internal Family Systems (IFS) model to help you encounter God in the depth of your interior life. Led by Fr. Jeff Putthoff, SJ, this retreat invites you to explore the many "parts" within you—joyful, anxious, discouraged, playful—and bring them into sacred conversation with God through imaginative prayer and contemplation.

Held in silence, the retreat includes two daily talks, Mass, and ample space for personal prayer. Experience how Ignatian prayer and IFS together can deepen your awareness of God's presence and healing love.

Format: Silent retreat with daily Mass and two talks per day.

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/ignatianretreat

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

All of our ministries here at the Shrine are only possible thanks to generous donations from people like you! With gratitude - Thank you!

MASS COLLECTIONS

May 10 - 11:	\$ 1,924.00
May 11 (Haitian Mass):	\$ 155.00
May. 11 (Spanish Mass):	\$ 202.00
May 17 - 18:	\$ 2,169.00
May 17 – 18 (Watoto Children):	\$ 1,604.00
May 18 (Haitian Mass):	\$ 390.00
May 18 (Portuguese Healing Service):	\$ 133.00

DONATION BOXES

May 5 - May 11:	\$ 705.00
May 12 – May 18:	\$ 971.00

Heavenly Thought

"You can buy education, but wisdom is a gift from God."